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In re application of

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FOR GROUPS OF BATTERY PLATES

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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November 25, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 6, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.